

# 2011–12 SCHOOL SCORECARD

# **Wilson High School**



Dear Parent or Guardian.

You are the first teacher and most important partner in your child's education. As a result, you need high-quality information on the performance of DCPS schools and the District overall. This scorecard provides important facts related to student performance, school facilities, and the academic and extracurricular opportunities available at this school. Taken together, I believe these data can help you make the best, most informed decisions possible related to your child's education.

While the data on this scorecard objectively illustrate the progress of this school, the best way to gauge a school's quality is to get involved. Be sure to review the back page of this document for ideas on engaging with your school community, such as volunteering or attending parentteacher conferences. You can also compare schools' programs and performance online at www.dcps.dc.gov/profiles.

It's my hope that you use this information to hold principals, school staff and my office accountable for continuing to improve the quality of education available to your family.

Sincerely,

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As Washington's largest comprehensive public high school, Woodrow Wilson High School is home to a very diverse student population. In 2011, the entire campus underwent a complete

\$105 million modernization just in time for our 75th anniversary. More than 9 out of 10 Wilson graduates attend college and members of last year's class were accepted to over 200 universities and junior colleges across 41 states and the District of Columbia and offered over \$18 million in scholarships. Wilson currently offers Advanced Placement (AP) college level courses in 27 subject areas as well as six smaller learning communities or academies. In addition, Wilson fields 26 varsity and junior varsity sports teams and boasts over 44 extracurricular clubs and activities.

# PROGRAMS (2011-12)





- •Wilson International Studies Program
- •The Future Project Mentor/Coaching
- •Science, Mathematics and Technology (SciMaTech) Academy
- Academy of Finance
- •Junior ROTC
- •Academic, Athletic Achievement
- National Honor Society
- •Science Exploration After School Program

# WELLNESS AND FITNESS

- •Health Corps
- Chartwells Food Services
- New Heights
- •Brainfood (off-site, nutrition education, career exploration)
- •Fall Sports Soccer, Volleyball, Football, Cross Country
- •Winter Sports Track, Basketball, Swimming, Skiing, Hockey
- Spring Sports Softball, Baseball, Crew, Lacrosse
- Year Round Sports Cheerleading, Ultimate Frisbee, Fitness Training

# ARTS AND CULTURE

- •Wilson Musical and Plays
- •World Languages: American Sign Language (ASL), Chinese, Italian,
- Peaceable Schools
- •Tiger TV and Interactive Media
- •The Beacon Newspaper
- •Student Government Association
- Marching Band

- •Urban Debate League

# **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT STATUS**

Restructuring Year 2 — This school has failed to make AYP for six years. This school must implement its restructuring plan at the beginning of the school year and continue to offer Public School Choice and Supplemental Educational Services to eligible students.

# STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS (2010-11)

Enrollment: 1,534

- Black: 49%
- Hispanic/Latino: 19%
- White: 21%
- Asian: 7%
- Pacific/Hawaiian: 0%
- Native/Alaskan: 0%
- Multiple races: 4%



English language learners: 24% Free and reduced-price lunch: 43%

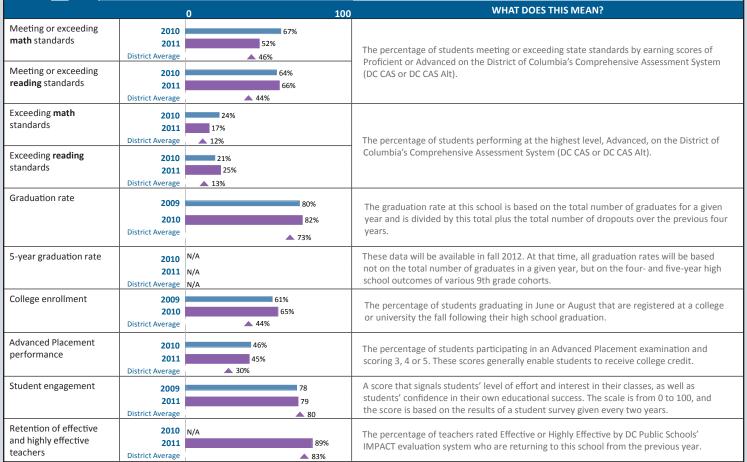
Special education: 12% In-boundary: 55%



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Results of annual, standardized assessments don't describe the full school experience, but they do provide the most accurate and reliable signal of student performance. Every DCPS school should demonstrate progress in the core areas of math and reading, as well as cultivate students and faculty focused on improving performance through outstanding teaching and learning.





# **STUDENT PROGRESS**

Compared to student performance, which signals the share of students achieving at various levels, student progress is a measure of how much students grow from year to year. While some schools may have relatively few students meeting or exceeding state standards, it is important to gauge the extent to which those schools help students catch up.

		0 100	WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
9th grade completion	2010	68%	The percentage of first-time 9th grade students who earned enough credits by the end
	2011	70%	of the spring semester to be promoted to 10th grade. These students are on track for graduation.
	District Average	56%	graduation.
Student growth in math	2010	51%	The median student's growth on the District of Columbia's Comprehensive Assessment
	2011	43%	System (DC CAS). This score describes the percentage of students the median (middle)
	District Average	<u>▲</u> 46%	student outperforms who started with a similar level of prior achievement. For example, a
Student growth in	2010	53%	score of 70 means that this school's median student outperformed more than 70 percent
reading	2011	55%	of students in the District with the same level of prior achievement.
	District Average	<u></u> 51%	

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# SAFE AND EFFECTIVE SCHOOLS

DCPS believes that all schools must provide caring and supportive environments. School environments that are safe and welcoming better enable students and staff to learn and teach.

7		0 100	WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
Student attendance	2010 2011	89% 90%	The average percentage of students attending school daily.
	District Average	▲ 94%	
School safety	2009 2011 District Average	62 62 65	A score that represents student, parent and staff perceptions of safety and order at this school. The scale is from 0 to 100, and the score is based on the results of a stakeholder survey given every two years.
Expulsions and suspensions	2010 2011 District Average	0%	The percentage of students who were expelled or suspended for 11 days or more.
Serious student misbehavior	2010 2011 District Average	1	The number of long-term suspensions or expulsions for the most serious (Tier 5) student misbehaviors in this school per 100 students.
Student re-enrollment	2010 2011 District Average	89% 88% <b>A</b> 81%	The percentage of students who returned to school the following year. This does not include students in the school's highest grade level.



# FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SATISFACTION

Families and community members play key roles in helping students and schools thrive. When parents, guardians and family members feel respected and informed about their student's life at school, they are more likely to be involved in helping their child learn.

		0 100	WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
Community satisfaction	2009 2011 District Average	71 72 ▲ 68	A score that represents overall student, parent and staff satisfaction with this school. The scale is from 0 to 100, and the score is based on the results of a stakeholder survey given every two years.
Parent engagement	2009 2011 District Average	73 72 <b>△</b> 73	A score that represents how well and how often parents felt this school engaged and communicated with them. The scale is from 0 to 100, and the score is based on the results of a parent survey given every two years.



# UNIQUE SCHOOL INDICATORS

The school scorecard is meant to provide information that is easy to compare across schools. However, each school is unique in its approach to teaching and learning. This section provides schools the opportunity to highlight their own measures of success.

		0 100	WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
Advanced Placement enrollment	2010 2011	33%	The percentage of students in grades 11 and 12 enrolled in one or more Advanced Placement (AP) courses.
Students passing all courses	2010 2011	59% 62%	The percentage of students with grades of D or better in all courses.



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# Facilities: Art room Auditorium Computer lab Gym Media center Music room Outdoor recreation space Science lab Other: Parent organization School uniform Title I

## Feeder School(s):

Hardy Middle School

Oyster-Adams Bilingual School

**Deal Middle School** 

### **Community Partnerships:**

Latin American Youth Center Teen Women In Action

Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

FIRST Robotics, NASA, DCPS-CTE

Architecture Construction and Engineering (ACE) Mentors

Operation HOPE - Financial Literacy

American University

Asian American LEAD

National Institutes of Health

Lois Adelson & Arlene Kogod

Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

### **Career Pathways:**

Accounting and Finance

**Business Administration** 

Engineering (PLTW)

Sustainable Environments

International Studies &

Hospitality and Sports Management

Biomedical Sciences/Health Careers (PLTW)

Interactive Media & Communications

### **GETTING TO SCHOOL**



M4 (Nebraska Avenue) H2, H3, H4 (Crosstown)



Red Line: Tenleytown

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Parents and community members play an important role in ensuring that every child, in every classroom across the district, receives the high-quality education he or she deserves.

Volunteer at school. Volunteers are key to helping students succeed. Many schools need volunteers who can work directly with students on reading and math, but volunteers also can provide support in classrooms, the office and the library, as well as help plan and staff events, write grants, and much more. For more information, check with the principal or visit www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/volunteer.

Join the school's parent organization. Parent organizations are an important part of every school community. They provide ways to support students through community events, fundraising and other activities. Joining a parent organization helps parents meet other parents who are engaged in their child's education. For more information, contact the school.

**Attend parent-teacher conferences**. Stay in touch with your child's teachers and ask that they be in touch with you. Ask your child's teachers about

what kind of classroom behavior they expect and how they reward positive behavior. Ask what your child should be learning, how well he or she is doing, and what you can do to help. Parent-teacher conferences will be held at school on Oct. 17, 2011; Feb. 6, 2012; and May 14, 2012.

Work with or run for the school advisory board. This group advises the principal on the comprehensive school plan — including specific programs and activities that strengthen student performance, create safe and effective schools, and involve parents and families. For more information, check with the principal.

Talk to your child about school. Your opinion matters to your child. Ask your child about one thing he or she learned at school, and keep asking every day! For more information, visit www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/studentsuccess.

# WHERE CAN I FIND INFORMATION ON OTHER SCHOOLS?

If you are interested in seeing the information contained here for every DCPS school, please visit **www.dcps.dc.gov/profiles.** You will be able to search for DCPS schools based on the information that you care about, and you will also be able to compare schools side by side.

# HOW CAN I STAY UP TO DATE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Be sure to let your school know if your contact information changes. Visit www.dcps.dc.gov regularly, and sign up to receive regular e-mail updates from DCPS at www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/enews.